Washington D.C. – Congressman Kevin McCarthy gave the following remarks at the weekly House Republican leadership press conference.

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TRANSCRIPT:

We all know the point in time of where we are. In this short time frame, a half a year Republicans have been in the Majority, we have laid out a budget, that is actually is on paper, on how we can save the entitlement programs for future generations. We have watched this jobless rate, under this President and his Administration, continue to rise. This is a unique opportunity for us to correct the problem. So, as our Speaker and Leader go down and continue to work with this President to try and find a current form, so that we can change our spending habits, you will find on the week of July 18th on the House floor, we will bring up a plan for the long term – a Balanced Budget Amendment. We want to make sure we don't get into this problem again. Sixteen years ago, this country came one vote shy of having a Balanced Budget Amendment. Had that passed we would not be where we are today. So, as we go to solve our problem today lets also look to the future, because as every American realizes when you look to your family it is not what you will become – it is what your children will become. This [Balanced Budget Amendment] is our opportunity, our window as a nation, to solve the problem long term.